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## THE WEATHER

Oregon, Washington, Idaho—Occasional rain.

### DO OUR OWN SHIPPING!

It being conclusively demonstrated, after half a century of waiting, that the outsider is not coming in here with his own money or his friends' money, to do a general shipping business from this port, we take it that it is up to us to do our own shipping. And, when one gets right down to the quick of the thing there is no particular reason why we should not.

Shipping is no insuperable, mysterious, proscribed field of commercial business; it is amenable to money, brains, experience, opportunity, and a given field of activity; it has its experts, its trained operators, its rules and limitations and requisites, just as other businesses have them. We have the money here at Astoria; we have keen, trained, capable men and there are others to be had; we have good docks and warehouses at hand awaiting this very use (since they have no other, apparently); we have every natural advantage we could ask for in the way of harborage, for the time being and the needs of a new venture; we have fresh water anchorage and channelways and but a 12-mile traverse to and from deep water.

The mere fact that the business is, at present, monopolized at Portland should not deter us in going after that which, by every law of economy and despatch in that business, should be done from here; it should, rather, lend emphasis and invitation to the home project. A round dozen of export grain cargoes, hence, on common point rates, would open the eyes of the grain shipping world and it is strictly up to us to make it. That we will do it, and succeed, is the living dread of Portland; another excellent reason for making the try; but once we achieve it, Astoria will know no better friend than Portland.

We declare and claim and brag about our wonderful capacities and facilities as a port and then discount every word and proof by remaining inert, denying ourselves the fruit we are lavishly offering others. Knowing the real scope and value of what we possess it ought to be worth \$50,000 of Astoria money to focus it all to her own supreme and abounding advantage.

### "WHOOF, WHOOF!"

It may be noticed that the Portland Oregonian has a way of ponderously and superciliously belittling any and every friendly overture the minor papers of the State make in behalf of that city and its commercial interests, especially if the outside paper has, at any time, for just cause, fought the metropolitan juggernaut. The Astorian has, on occasion, lambasted the big sheet the best it knew how, and always with due regard to public opinion down here; in fact, it has helped defeat it in some of its nastier processes of commercial over-riding and political chicanery; and has been, generally, and honestly, alive to the Oregonian's trickery, and expects to be on guard right along as the days pass and opportunity rises for it to "sting" Astoria.

But all the same, we like the great paper immensely; we are proud of it just as the State at large is proud of it; it is one of the famous newspapers of the land, etc., etc., etc. But, again, it is not without its paltrinesses, chief of which is its shameless treatment of outside communities that get in its way commercially and the shallow sham of its eternal cry for "all Oregon" when all Oregon knows, as it knows its own name, that PORTLAND reads Oregon for that paper. That is tradition in this State.

What it is so religiously devoted to, as its own cardinal precept, it might account for in the lesser com-

munities and papers of Oregon. We tried to tell it, the other day, how glad we were that it had at last broken away from its old war-fetich of keeping the Columbia bar channels on a par with the depths of the river, hence to Portland; and it turns complacently and sneeringly to tell us that it has, from time immemorial, been in favor of all the water that could be attained on the bar, and we have been misrepresenting not only the Oregonian but our own people and interests all this time. What can one do in the face of such sublimated nerve as that!

Time, with its evolutions, raw, unexpected, insuperable, is the only thing that ever gets the best of the Oregonian; we are trusting to time to square what differences we may have with the Thunderer; and it will do it. It always has had a hand in gagging and mimifying the mighty and transposing the false and imposing to the rare level of simple fact.

Even the whoof of the hog has its echo!

## EDITORIAL SALAD

A British factory committee reports to Parliament that two of the great forest areas of the United States are exhausted, and the other two are going fast. The price of lumber confirms the estimate.

Shakespeare, who thought of everything, anticipated the new hats when he said: "We will fill thy wishes to the brim with principalities," and "To be in peril of my life with the edge of a feather bed."

"Football toughness," says President Eliot, "is not the kind of toughness which is most profitable in after life." But Harvard would greatly enjoy a paramount toughness on the various athletic fields in earlier life.

The announcement of the building of two ocean liners 1000 feet long will speedily lead to the planning of a 1001 footer, and then look out for a jump to 1111 feet. At 1320 feet the quarter stretch will be covered.

Mr. Balfour assures his fellow Englishmen that it is nonsense to say that 80,000,000 Americans are dominated by a decadent plutocracy. There are plenty of intelligent foreigners who size up the yellow publications correctly.

Senator Bailey's opponents are working hard to prevent his election as one of the Texas delegates at large to Denver. Mr. Bailey threatened to drive his political enemies into the gulf, and they say they will force him out of public life. It is a bitter fight and grows in fierceness.

### A Notre Dame Lady's Appeal.

To all knowing sufferers of rheumatism, whether muscular or of the joints, sciatica, lumbago, backache, pains in the kidneys or neuralgia pains, to write to her for a home treatment which has repeatedly cured all of these tortures. She feels it her duty to send it to all sufferers FREE. You cure yourself at home as thousands will testify—no change of climate being necessary. This simple discovery banishes uric acid from the blood loosens the stiffened joints, purifies the blood, and brightens the eyes, giving elasticity and tone to the whole system. If the above interests you, for proof address Mrs. M. Summers, Box R, Notre Dame, Ind.

### Biliousness and Constipation.

For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, purify the stomach, liver and blood, helping the system to do its work naturally.—Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala. These tablets are for sale by Frank Hart and Leading Druggists.

### Bad Attack of Dysentery Cured.

"An honored citizen of this town was suffering from a severe attack of dysentery. He told a friend if he could obtain a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, he felt confident of being cured. He having used this remedy in the West. He was told that I kept it in stock and lost no time in obtaining it, and was promptly cured," says M. J. Leach, druggist, of Wolcott, Vt. For sale by Frank Hart and Leading Druggists.

## WORD ODDITIES.

Some interesting Curiosities of the English Language.

Here is some English that seldom is written and some other interesting curiosities of Mother English.

Honorificabilitudinitatibus is a rather long word. You cannot find it in the dictionary, but you will find it used in Shakespeare and some of the other early English writers.

The word is meaningless. The only interesting point about it is its length. Twenty-seven letters in a breath are quite a few. But our dictionary gives some almost as long—for instance, the following two of twenty-four letters each:

Transubstantiationists.

Inanthropomorphiaability.

Here are some of the other bo-a-strictors:

Twenty-three letters:

Disproportionablenesses.

Twenty-two:

Intercommunicabilities.

Twenty-one:

Interconvertibilities.

Twenty:

Histomorphologically.

Interdifferentiation.

Supersensitivenesses.

Hypersensitivenesses.

It is safe to say that the ordinary reader would not run on to one of these in a hundred years, and if he did he would run the other way.

It is interesting to know that the entire alphabet can be arranged in one intelligible sentence without the repetition of a single letter—just twenty-six letters in the following sentence, and no two alike:

J. Q. Vandy struck my big fox whelp.

That simple sentence is the hardest possible one to write on the typewriter.

So many of the letters in the alphabet are used so seldom that even a good typist has to study out the combination before finding some of them. This sentence is the only known one that contains every letter in the alphabet but once and makes sense.

Another interesting word group in which the entire alphabet is put into seven words and only thirty-two letters are used is: "Burst, fed, jingle, quip, vim, hack, zyxxomma." This is the smallest number of words that the alphabet can be included in.

Two intelligible sentences, however, of eight words and thirty-two letters apiece have been found. They are: Quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog. Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs.

The first sentence is often used in testing the types on typewriters on account of the shortness and the fact that it includes every letter and has the advantage of making sense.

Here is a list of the longest monosyllables in English:

Seven letters, through; eight letters, strength, thoughts, starched, thrilled, straight, squalled, schnapps; nine letters, strengths, squelched, scratched, splotted, stretched.

Probably the most interesting word curiosity is the one made up of the greatest number of other words in the regular sequence. That word is indiscrimination. In-discrim-in-at-i-on contains seven words and is only sixteen letters long. That is allowing a fraction more than two letters to each word, and only one word is repeated.

Here are two that have six separate words within the one:

Ass-ass-in-at-i-on-

Assassination.

In-fir-it-at-i-on-

Infinitation.

There do not seem to be any that can be split up into five sensible parts, but here are several quads:

In-sat-i-ate-

Insatiate.

Ass-ass-sin-ate-

Assassinate.

In-vest-i-gate-

Investigate.

In-it-i-ate-

Initiate.

Two three-part words that make sense when the parts are taken separately are:

To-get-her-

Together.

In-no-cent-

Innocent.

The dictionary is full of funny and curious things. This is only a small part of the unusual things that you can find out about words in an hour's perusal of the most wordy book in the English language.—New York Press.

### The Wisdom of Experience.

There was no doubt in the minds of the Hobart family that young James had a remarkable gift. It remained for an obscure uncle from the Cape to drop a word of caution and of worldly wisdom.

"You say he's wonderful farseeing and can tell folks just how things are going to turn out?" he inquired.

"Yes, it seems so," said James' adoring mother.

"Well, now, if you want him to be the most onpop'lar man anywhere round you just let him foretell and prophesy and forecast," remarked the old uncle grins. "If you want him to keep a few friends you must shunt him off on to some other track. Let him work out sums in his head. That's a harmless practice."

"But why?" faltered the mother.

"Just this," answered the authority from down on the Cape. "When he prophesies things 'll go wrong and they do go wrong the heft of the blame will be laid straight on his shoulders. When he says they'll go right and they do folks 'll be too busy enjoying themselves to remember your James. And when he says they'll go wrong and they go right they'll call him a fool. Now, I'm above seventy, and you mind what I tell ye!"—Youth's Companion.

### England's First Bank Note Forger.

Whether the trick of forging notes was indulged in within the limits of China, Venice, Spain and other countries where banks first had their existence history does not record. But the man who first forged a note of the Bank of England was thereby, to quote a phrase too often misapplied, "damned to everlasting fame." It was in 1758, sixty-four years after the Bank of England was founded, that Richard Child, a linen draper, of Stamford, was most unhappily led by mingled vanity and affection into this crime. He was then passionately in love with a young lady of his city, who, however, would not listen to his pleadings because, as she frankly told him, his worldly wealth fell short of her desires. He, therefore, forged a number of bank notes, which he showed to her to prove that he was very much richer than she had supposed. Had he not allowed the avaricious young lady to handle the notes all might have been well, but she abstracted one of them and passed it, with speedy calamitous results. Vaughn was arrested, his plea of his lack of dishonest intent in making the notes was not allowed, and he was condemned to death and hanged.

### Pleasant For James.

When Mr. Ransom won his bride, he felt properly humble at securing such a prize, and in the after years Mrs. Ransom never allowed him to lapse into forgetfulness of her condescension. "You really cared for me, I'm sure," said Mr. Ransom, "that is a great comfort—to think I didn't urge you against your wishes."

"James," said Mrs. Ransom, in a tone suited to her imposing and somewhat massive appearance, "how could you ever doubt my affection? Have I not told you that I had proposals from men who were brilliant, handsome and talented and passing them all by, James, I chose you!"—Youth's Companion.

### Seenaw and Sawsee.

Weary Walker told this to Bathless Broderick, whom he met on top of a haystack:

"Say, a lady says ter me: 'Go inter de back yard an' yer will see a wood pile. Saw a couple uv cords an' den come an' git yer breakfast.' After awhile I comes up to de house an' asts fer me breakfast, an' she says, 'Did yer see de wood?' An' I says, 'Yes.' An' she says, 'Did yer saw de wood?' An' I says, 'Yes.' An' she says, 'I didn't see yer saw it.' An' I says, 'Well, yer saw me see it, didn't yer?' An' she says, 'Yes.' 'Well,' I says, 'If you'd 'a' seed 'ot I sawed you'd 'a' knowed.'"—London Scraps.



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Remedy and said it gave his customers the best of satisfaction. We found it as he said, and can recommend it to anyone having children troubled with whooping cough," says Mrs. A. Goss, of Durand, Mich. For sale by Frank Hart and Leading Druggists.